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Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement submitted on March 1, 2004 was filed after the mailing date of the final rejection on July 16, 2003. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the petition is granted and the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

2. Note the attached copy of applicant's information disclosure statement (PTO-1449)

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Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication, or earlier communications, should be directed to the examiner, **Jerry O'Connor**, whose telephone number is (703) 305-1525, and whose facsimile number is (703) 746-3976.

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